# Limousine Association of New Jersey Board of Directors Conference Call Monday May 8, 2017 \* 10 AM – 11 AM Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 10:03 AM.

Attendees were: President Jason Sharenow, First Vice President and Treasurer Jon Epstein, Second Vice President Jeff Brodsly, Secretary Karen Gajda, PAC Chair Pete Corelli; Directors Anthony Azara, Howard Gogel, Scott Greenwald, John Maziarz, Brian O'Neill, Michael Renehan, Tim Rose, Bob Schiavo, Eddie Somers, Barry Trabb and Chris Weiss; executive director Patricia Nelson.

Absent (excused) were Directors **Joe Gulino** and **David Seelinger**.

Absent (unexcused) were Directors **Sam Emam, Steve Rhoads** and **Christian Stochholm**.

#### 4/19/17 Board Meeting Minutes

A motion to approve the 4/19/17 board meeting minutes as presented was made by Weiss, seconded by Gogel and unanimously approved.

#### **Financial Report**

Epstein advised the LANJ bank balance was \$83,601 with two outstanding payables totaling \$6,007.

Corelli said the PAC bank balance was \$998.

#### President's Report

• 5/10/17 LANJ Dinner/Auction/Meeting

Sharenow said everything appeared to be in good order for the 5/10/17 LANJ dinner/auction/meeting to be held in West Orange.

He indicated that \$1,000 worth of gift cards had been donated by board members for the board's "Gift Card Tree" auction item and noted additional gift cards would be accepted up to and including the night of the event.

### South Jersey Operator Recruitment

Corelli confirmed that ten South Jersey operators attended the 4/26/17 get-together that he and Schiavo hosted and reported that, thus far, four membership applications had been received from the evening's attendees.

## **Executive Director's Report: Membership Status**

As of 5/4/17, LANJ had 145 members including:

- o 62 paid through 12/31/17 or after
- o 25 paid 1/1/17 but pre-12/31/17
- o 58 paying monthly by credit card.

The 145 total includes 93 operator, 12 affiliate and 40 supplier members.

### **Golf Outing Committee Report**

O'Neill advised the planning for the 1st Annual LANJ Golf Outing, which will be held on Monday 9/18/17 at the Cherry Valley Country Club in Skillman, NJ, is progressing in a timely way. Determining the sponsorship offerings and price points is next on the group's agenda. The committee plans to charge \$195/golfer.

# **Legislative Committee Report**

## TNC Regulation

Sharenow said he and Epstein recently met with New Jersey attorney general staff to present LANJ's position on fingerprint background checks for for-hire carriers. During the meeting the staff members advised: 1) the attorney general had recused himself publicly from the fingerprinting decision; 2) TNCs have six months to propose the background check methodology that they would like implemented; and 3) as much factual data as possible on how background checks are being designed and enforced in other states is desired. Sharenow indicated additional meetings with the attorney general's staff are anticipated.

• Sharenow advised New Jersey Senator Ronald Rice (D-28) had proposed new legislation that all "for-hire" vehicles in the State of New Jersey are to have a different color license plate than non-"for hire" vehicles. LANJ has gone on record supporting this. Sharenow noted that, if passed, this law would apply to TNC vehicles thus identifying them as commercial carriers. He speculated that TNCs would fight the legislation for this reason.

A motion to adjourn was made by Trabb, seconded by Gajda and unanimously approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:48 AM.

Submitted by:

Karen Gajda Secretary Patricia Nelson Executive Director

Patricia NElson